#### **CHAPTER NO. 142**

### SENATE BILL NO. 3342

# By Carter

Substituted for: House Bill No. 3356

## By Phelan

AN ACT To amend Chapter 307 of the Private Acts of 1982 and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the clerk of the Gibson County juvenile court.

### BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Chapter 307 of the Private Acts of 1982 and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting Section 1(c) and substituting instead the following:
  - (c) "Clerk" means an elected juvenile court clerk or deputy clerks of the juvenile court of Gibson County.
- SECTION 2. Chapter 307 of the Private Acts of 1982 and any other acts amendatory thereto, is further amended by deleting Section 4 and substituting instead the following:
  - Section 4. (a) The juvenile court clerk of Gibson County shall be elected by the qualified voters of Gibson County as provided in this section.
  - (b) The juvenile court clerk elected pursuant to this section shall serve as the clerk of the Gibson County juvenile court and any of such clerk's deputies shall also be deputies for the juvenile court created by this act.
  - (c) The person elected to the office of juvenile court clerk of Gibson County shall be a citizen of Gibson County and shall continuously reside within such county.
  - (d) At the August 2002 general election, and every four (4) years thereafter, the qualified voters of Gibson County shall elect a person to serve as the Gibson County juvenile court clerk for a term of four (4) years.
  - (e) The person elected to the office of juvenile court clerk of Gibson County shall take office on September 1, next following such person's election and shall hold office until such person's successor is elected and qualified. Any vacancy in the office of juvenile court clerk shall be filled by appointment of the Gibson County Commission as provided by law. The Gibson County Commission shall appoint a person to serve as juvenile court clerk from July 1, 2000 until the elected juvenile court clerk takes office on September 1, 2002. Such appointed clerk shall be required to have the same qualifications as are provided by this section for the elected clerk.
  - (f) The juvenile court clerk appointed and elected pursuant to the provisions of subsection (e) of this section shall receive compensation of thirty-

two thousand dollars (\$32,000) each fiscal year. The juvenile court clerk shall also receive any annual raises given to county employees by the Gibson County Commission.

(g) All records of the juvenile court of Gibson County shall be transferred from the office and jurisdiction of the county clerk of Gibson County to that of the juvenile court clerk of Gibson County as soon as practicable following appointment of the juvenile court clerk as provided in subsection (e) of this section, but in no event later than thirty (30) days following such appointment.

SECTION 3. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of Gibson County. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the county legislative body of Gibson County and certified to the Secretary of State.

SECTION 4. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 3.

PASSED: May 30, 2000

JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 5<sup>th</sup> day of June 2000

DON SONDOUST GOVERNOR